
Guest Commentary

Alice Kaseberg, Jill McKenney and Joyce Fish in honor of **Hazel Smith**.

As with all the incredibly dedicated instructors here today, Hazel Smith was an amazing person. She passed away last August. We just wanted to bring her name before you today. It's not only about Hazel, it's about all of you that brought so much to LCC. Hazel was the first person hired in the Mathematics Department (and we're proud that a woman was our first instructor). She taught until 1988. After she retired, she and her husband started Educators Bed & Breakfast Network, which provide low cost lodging for educators when traveling. It now has over 6000 people in 30 countries. At the age of 85, they sold the business. She passed away at home in Eugene.

Walk with Bill and Travel with Carol

Carol Beckley is off to Iceland and points east, returning in September. Bill may be on the way South, soooo... When we coordinate the next Walk and Travel meeting, we will send out a postcard to let you know who, when and where it will be.

Keep an eye out for it.

In Memorium *by Jack Powell*

Edna "Dolly" Berndt passed away on March 8, 2014. She worked at LCC for 18 years in the Business Office. She was a friendly person and we enjoyed her very much. She and her husband enjoyed Sun City, AZ after retirement. After her husband passed away, she continued the snow-bird lifestyle.

Charlene Blinn passed away on April 12, 2014. She worked for 30 years at LCC as an academic advisor. She was very likable and students really enjoyed her.

Erik Humphrey received his MA Degree in conflict and dispute resolution. He worked at LCC in the Criminal Justice Program. He passed away on April 1, 2014.

Belmira Coelho died May 1, 2014 at age 84 of lung cancer. She worked as a custodian. After retirement, she started a real estate investment business.

Harry Edwin Rice, Jr. passed away Feb. 22, 2014 from complications of cancer. He taught chemistry for many years at LCC and Willamette University.

Allan Veryl Tarpinning passed away at age 81 on June 20, 2014. He had a BA from Linfield College, and a Masters degree from Pacific University. He was a teacher and coach. He led the LCC cross-country team to National Championship in 1972. He was a three-sport athlete and was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1999.

David Walton passed away on Jan. 9, 2014 from complications of diabetes at age 47. He attended the U. of Chicago, receiving his Masters degree in history and philosophy from Notre Dame. He worked for 9 years in Information Technology at LCC.

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The Party Line *by Mary Forestieri*

As many of you know, I was in the hospital and rehab from October 27 to January 30. To make a long story short, I had two back surgeries 13 days apart, and two bouts of the hospital infection (C Diff). My body was deconditioned due to weeks of lying around. After rehab at three different facilities, I was released to do physical therapy. I couldn't wait to get home and do something. However, I discovered that I didn't like the idea of doing anything at all—I didn't have to do a thing in the institutions and came to like it that way. I took my procrastination to a new level. When I get overwhelmed by what I have to do, I simply take a nap—or brush the dog. Henry, the dog, is an angel and was a joy to have around while I bathed myself in pity. So, I'm going to move along, or finishing this will interrupt my "schedule"—nap, or a trip to Trader Joes.

Since I've not been getting out into the world, I haven't been able to see many people. Two birthday parties—one an LCC retiree and one not. Both birthdays were held at Roaring Rapids Pizza, and **Jane Russell, David Sherman**, Jerry Williams, and **Linda Rippee** were among the pizza eaters. The next party was **David Sherman's** 80th and we went to Roaring Rapids again.

I missed the Retiree Luncheon but heard rave reviews. (See enclosed collage). I did see **Janet Anderson** about a week before the luncheon and must have stared at her for 5 minutes trying to decide whether or not it was Janet. It was. She's lost 90 pounds, looks and feels great, bought a new house and is waiting for the laws to change to get married.

Jane Russell sold her house of 30 years and has moved into a new house built on Seavey Loop. **Tim**

Blood just finished a 1978 house building project and will remodel this summer to move into in the fall.

Now for the travel crowd: **Debra Houts** went on a cruise to Bermuda. **Carol Beckley** spent three weeks in New Zealand, and lots of time with family. **Ginny Reich** spent two weeks in London with friends and then went to southern France and Paris. Included were her two host sisters from her long term study. Ginny recently went to Guatemala with **Bob Way** as part of the team working with Stove Team International. Ginny was the "language" person and had a great time making use of her Spanish. Volunteering with the organization is very rewarding. **Bob Boettcher** has also been traveling with the Stove Team—to Honduras, Guatemala and Nicaragua. Volunteers pay about \$1000 and book their own flight (tax deductible because it's a non-profit organization). Sometimes it's "grunt" work, building the place for them to sell the stoves; sometimes building the stoves. He also attended his 50th college reunion...says they're all old!!

Miriam Jordan visited El Salvador last November to celebrate her maternal grandmother's 100th birthday—also attending were 150 relatives. **Lorraine Ortal** is busy with 6 grandchildren with lots of travel to and from California, and with 17 family members to Kauai for a 70th anniversary of parents. **Jill McKenney** made many quilts.

Steve and Pat John celebrated their 50th anniversary in December, and a summer coast vacation with family to celebrate that. Steve continues his outdoor activities—450+ bicycle trips and winter skiing (I'm hoping I can get back on a bike one of these days).

Pat John took an adventure cruise to Alaska for hiking, riding, boating and viewing (WOW). At the coast, they will be renting an old schoolhouse which is not a rental and with a gym. That should keep Steve busy!

Kitty Seymour spent a week on the Big Island in Hawai'i attending her son's graduation from college. His major is the study of Hawai'ian culture and language—all coursework taught in Hawai'ian. **Joyce Fish** has been calm this year, her house has stopped moaning now that they have fixed so many things. **Fay D'Ambrosia** and her husband were fortunate to have their children and grandchildren for Christmas and were able to recuperate afterwards. **Clarice Bates** has been working with friends and family to record family histories. She gives the people she plans to talk with a list of questions asking about their family history. She uses film and converts it to DVDs, then gives the copies to the people. If you would like a list of the questions she uses, contact her at wdbates@comcast.net.

Harvey Kelm views lots of wild life, taking long walks and bicycling. **Al Clark** wrote "TRAVELING" **Ken Sprague** got his electrical contracting license after he retired. He helped build a Bible College in El Salvador, then went to Africa, Albania, and others, going where he was called to go.

Paul and Sue Martin celebrated their 60th anniversary in May. He worked in the LCC Electronics Department. **Liz Hall** is a member of the Archive Committee of the Fortnightly Club that was featured in a two page article about the committee and their work. Check it out in the OREGON LIFE WEEKEND, April 5, 2013.

Kirsten Murphy retired from the LCC Health Clinic.

Prize winners from the *President's Retiree Luncheon* drawings:

Debbie Houts: Barnes & Noble (\$20 gift)

Jerome Garger: Indulge Restaurant in Springfield

Cherry Taylor: Elite Car Wash

Harvey Kelm: Manicure (traded with Lorraine Ortal)

Lorraine Ortal: LCC Renaissance Restaurant

Jeanne Armstrong: Indulge Restaurant

Tim Blood: Barnes and Nobel (\$20 gift)

Fay D'Ambrosia: Hot Stone Massage

Pat John: LCC Renaissance Restaurant

Ken Sprague: SELCO \$50 Visa Card

Anne O'Brien: Indulge Restaurant

Jeanne Harcleroad: LCC jacket

Welcome to **Bob Boettcher** as the newest member of the LCC Retiree Steering Committee.

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Please contact any of us. We want to hear from you to share with other retirees what's happening in your life. Thank you for all your recent submissions as well.

